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		2007			2006			One-Year Change			1997		Ten-Year Change	
STATE	Participation Rate 2007 *	Critical Reading Mean	Math Mean	Writing Mean	Critical Reading Mean	Math Mean	Writing Mean	Critical Reading	Math	Writing	Critical Reading Mean	Math Mean	Critical Reading	Math
Indiana	62%	493	505	479	495	507	482	-2	-2	-3	492	497	+1	+8
Ohio	21%	530	540	515	530	542	514	0	-2	+1	532	537	-2	+3
West Virginia	18%	514	506	503	518	511	515	-4	-5	-12	524	510	-10	-4
Kansas	7%	587	595	571	588	596	569	-1	-1	+2	581	582	+6	+13
Michigan	7%	563	579	547	564	584	550	-1	-5	-3	554	566	+9	+13
Minnesota	7%	596	603	574	592	602	572	+4	+1	+2	584	596	+12	+7
Illinois	6%	602	626	595	598	624	592	+4	+2	+3	564	586	+38	+40
Nebraska	5%	575	581	555	576	586	565	-1	-5	-10	562	563	+13	+18
Wisconsin	5%	592	605	580	591	607	581	+1	-2	-1	586	599	+6	+6
Iowa	3%	612	618	589	606	618	594	+6	0	-5	596	609	+16	+9
Missouri	3%	592	594	580	580	588	573	+12	+6	+7	568	570	+24	+24
North Dakota	3%	582	595	559	612	621	591	-30	-26	-32	592	600	-10	-5
South Dakota	3%	590	602	567	591	603	579	-1	-1	-12	571	571	+19	+31
National	42%	498	509	488	486	514	492	-2	-5	-4	502	508	-4	+1

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Delaware	65%	480	483	468	479	487	469	+1	-4	-1	488	482	-8	+1
Maryland	65%	491	497	487	496	505	491	-5	-8	-4	502	506	-11	-9
Indiana	62%	493	505	479	495	507	482	-2	-2	-3	492	497	+1	+8
Rhode Island	62%	483	489	478	485	495	479	-2	-6	-1	495	491	-12	-2
Florida	61%	493	494	475	493	496	476	0	-2	-1	497	500	-4	-6

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^{**} Self-reported twelfth-grade enrollment from D.C.'s public and nonpublic schools was used since WICHE estimated fewer graduating seniors than actual SAT Reasoning Test takers.